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This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed on January 18, 2002 which indicated that Applicants' response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 14, 2001 was incomplete. Specifically, the response failed to include substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84.

Enclosed please find 6 sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Figs. 1-7 constitute all of the drawings in the application. These drawings are believed to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84.

Also enclosed please find a Request for a Three Month Extension of Time to extend the period of response from November 14, 2001 to February 14, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00 is provided for the three month extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970. A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply

is also enclosed.

A representative of the U.S. Patent Office is invited to contact the undersigned to address any issues relating to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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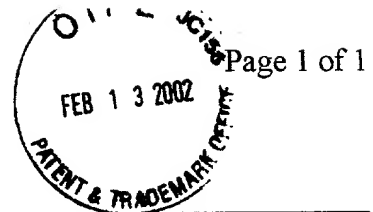
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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 01/08/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 09/14/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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